Indefinite Fast undertaken by Representatives of Ex-servicemen Employees Welfare Association

3206. SHRIB. SATYANARA-YAN REDDY :
PROF. C. LAKSH-MANNA :
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstatred Question 763 given in the Rajya Sahha on 28th February. 19S9 tt state whether the representatives of Reserve Bank oi India Ex-Servictmen Employees Welfare Association have undertaken an indefinite fast from 7th March, 1989 at Boat Club New Delhi to press for the implementation of the important recommendations of the High Level Committee to go into various problems of ex-seivicemen?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CH'NTA-M AN! PAN1GR AH I) : The Reserve Bank Ex-Servicemen Em-ployees Welfare Association had undertaken a fast from 7th March, 1989 at Boat Club, New Delhi to urge the implementation of the important ndations of the High Level Committee on Prob lems of Ex-servicemen and various orders ?nd instructions of Govern ment relating to ex-seivicemen, Bank of India, it is rep bal the Association has already given up the fast.

Eradication of Sewage

3207. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH .
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR :

W ill the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Go-vernment have started an experimental plant in Baroda to eradicate sewage to make it pathogen-free;

(b) is so, what are the details in this regard and to what extent the plan has been successful ;

(c) whether it is a fact that at the recent concluded seminar on peaceful uses of Atomic Energy organised by the United Schools International, it was pointed out that pathogens ate disease causing grms and required to be eradi-cated ; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard and steps being taken to prevent any disease from this dTeaded pathogens?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A project has been sanction -ed at a cost of Rs. 87 00 lakhs for setting up the Radiation Technology Process Plant at the Gajara -wadi sewage treatment complex at Baroda, Gujarat State. The plant aims at the development of Radiation Treatment Process oi sewage sludge foi its reuse as a safe leitiliser in agricultural practice or its safe disposal. The plant is in an advanced stage of completion and is expected to be commissioned soon. The plant uses a Cobalt-60 Gamma Radiation source for irradiating the sewage sludge and has a capacity of treating 25,000 gallons of sweage slud ge emanating from about 4 m ill»on gallons of raw sewage per day.

(c) and (d) It is a fact that patho-gens are disease causing germ s. By radiation treatment most of